

SECTION 4(f) FORMAT

A Section 4(f) evaluation contains the following headings and information.

A. PROPOSED ACTION

Provide a project description and explain the need for and purpose of the project.

B. SECTION 4(f) PROPERTY

Provide a map of the property and describe its size and ownership including any easements, covenants, or restrictions. Also describe its functions, access, number of users/visitors and relationship to other similarly used lands in the vicinity.

C. IMPACTS ON THE SECTION 4(f) PROPERTY(IES)

Discuss the functions affected, quantify any use of land, and describe any other impacts, including visual impacts, for each alternative.

D. AVOIDANCE ALTERNATIVES

Discuss alternatives to avoid use of the Section 4(f) property and explain how they do (or do not) meet the need and purpose of the project. Note: Where an alternative would use land from more than one Section 4(f) property, the analysis needs to evaluate alternatives that avoid each and all properties.

E. MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HARM

Discuss all possible measures that are available to minimize the impacts of the proposed action on the Section 4(f) property/properties.

F. COORDINATION

Summarize coordination, and any future coordination, that will take place. Discuss the results of preliminary coordination with the public official having jurisdiction over the Section 4(f) property and with regional (or local) offices of the Department of Interior, and, as appropriate the Regional Office of HUD and the Forest Supervisor of the affected National Forest. The discussion with the public official having jurisdiction should include, where necessary, a discussion of significance and primary use of the property.